GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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RURAL HOUSING AND HABITAT MISSION
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have set up Rural Housing and Habitat Mission;

(b) if so, the complete details in this regard;

(c) whether the Government have decided to construct about 20 lakh additional houses under the National Housing and Habitat Policy;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether an allocation of Rs.1710 crore has been made to implement the said action plan; and

(f) if so, the amount released so far under the said action plan for rural housing, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUBHASH MAHARIA)

(a) to (b): Yes, Sir; a National Mission for Rural Housing and Habitat has been set up by the Ministry of Rural Development to facilitate the induction of science and technology inputs, on a continuous basis, in the Sector and to provide convergence to technology, habitat and energy - related issues in order to provide affordable shelter for all in the rural areas, within a specified time-frame, and through community participation. Towards this end, an Executive Council under the Chairmanship of the Minister of Rural Development and an Empowered Committee under the Chairmanship of Secretary (Rural Development) have been constituted.

(c) &(d) Yes, Sir; under the National Housing and Habitat Policythe Government has decided to construct 20 lakh additional houses annually, out of which 13 lakh houses would be in rural areas. An Action Plan for Rural Housing has gone on stream.It comprises the components such as Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY), Credit-cum subsidy Scheme, Innovative Stream for Rural Housing and Habitat Development, Rural Building Centres (RBCs), Samagra Awaas Yojana (SAY, Equity Support to HUDCO etc.

(e) & (f) During the current financial year the Plan Budget Allocation for Rural Housing is Rs. 1710 crores, out of which the State-wise amount released so far is given in the Statement annexed.